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DIAMOND DUST.

By CLAYTON BENNETT.

CHAPTER XII.

THE JEWEL AT THE WEDDING.
Sitting in the boudoir at Miss Judd's the night before the wedding, I gazed at the secret to the coming bride. Two ancient silver candlesticks were placed on the table, but I preferred the gloom of a mild May evening and the soft scent of the hyacinths on the lawn balcony. We were seated on the ottoman. Edith trembled while I held her—the jewel, not of the assassinations—and seemed afraid to wear the stone upon her bosom on the morning. I had already moved to the chamber, and furnished a house in Park Walk, and, as I sat, I was thinking of the diamond, and of my hands to its protection. Blood spots on my eyes would not alarm me in future. For 5 weeks I had been parted from the diamond, and it was like parting from one's native country. The casket lay in the Bank of England vaults; I made the diamond fast to the wall. The first exhibition of the diamond at the wedding had the effect expected. The newspapers were alive. The pen of "Fashionable Freedom," the "Bridal Wrath," and the "Ivory-backed Hair-brush" glided against each other in the pace for marriage; paragraphs, soon their whole papers caught fire, the weekly "Voluntary Volume" published woodcuts of the "ro's egg" which I was unable to recognise; the great "dailies" noticed the matter. I received about 15 interviews a day, and gorged them with details; their articles invariably wound up in "The ro's egg" is not at present in Mr. Harley's possession at the house in Park Walk, which has suddenly become so notable. The gem's depositing place—the iron bars of the lower Crown Jewels would suit it—at present a secret. In a few weeks, however, Mr. Harley will have the gem mysteriously brought back to his house, when it will be deposited in one of Breakspen's patent safes, which we have before recommended to the public. The last lines must have delighted the burgling fraternity. However, I had no idea of trusting even to Chubb's or Chancery-lane. As well as safety I wanted security, and prevention is preferable to cure. I must have sight of my jewel daily—it was a breakfast tonic. The bank would not suit. Myself was constructing a safe. The interviewers' paragraphs I required not to frighten away, but to attract the burglar—although not supposing I should be more than a day's work. I also kept the safe's construction deeply secret, because otherwise a humanitarian society might have stepped forward to stop me on behalf of the burglar. There is no knowing the ways of humanitarians. Civilization, too, objected to Ceteris paribus man-eating machine; my machine would be more than a day's work. I might also become vexed. I worked away in hope; give me one burglar, and I should be satisfied. In this work I was helped by my nephew Harry. Plates of iron were brought to the house, and the safe was in course of fitting in a sort of harness-room, the ground floor of the house, on the centre of the house—whose window looked upon the back garden. The outside plating and the lining—painted the ordinary green—were soon riveted together, a door, a lock and handle fixed, there stood a complete safe, the height of a man. Harry, I discovered, had a key to the safe. The first question was as to several interviews left in the iron lining, but received no answer. The door of the room was closed against the household for a fortnight, and I was within. Only Harry was allowed to deliver the most implements ordered of the smith and the fitted jars, sulphate of copper, and dynamo from the electrician. My wife Edith had to console herself with leaving a plate of cold victuals outside the door. This angel did not murmur at the cold and heartless course of conduct I commenced immediately after the champagne luncheon of the wedding, but the thing being done, I was pale and thin, not understanding Harry, on his flying visits, attributed the change to natural causes. So they were natural—for me. If Edith chose to fade, so much the worse for her beauty. I only hoped that the birth of a possible son might not be affected. But enough of her.

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The following day a paragraph appeared in the lowest and highest journals in London as follows:—The Great Diamond.—Mr. Casper Harley's residence will be made Breakspen's reputation or loss the owner his diamond. We understand that this morning the casket holding the "ro's egg" has been conveyed to Mr. Harley's safe. Our representative called and examined the exterior of the safe and its premises. He noted that the burglar's window looked out upon a solitary garden. The iron door would rather afford safety to the burglar inside the room, could he tamper with its lock to prevent opening by the house's inhabitants. Of course, the burglar would close the window, but the burglar's window would be worth a look from the window and a dash through a policeman and three frightened persons in their night-gowns, should discovery ensue. Mr. Harley's address is 11, Park Walk, Chelsea.

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commenced, uncle." I handled my wife into the carriage.
"What address, sir?" asked the "favoured" coachman.
"To the Bank of England," was the reply.

The man gave me a look of astonishment, and muttered the word "Homespun." The horses galloped on forward.

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"BROAD JIMMY."

The tarantula watched for its victim. First, the web must be quiet. Edith and the old nurse, her companion, were sent to the sea, and the blinds of all but one room were drawn. The diamond's reputation and my own had spread through the neighbourhood. This room in the third story was illuminated at night, and a figure could be seen shadowing against the blind. One report said I was engaged in study; a second, in infernal manufactures of another gem. The public did not believe the diamond natural. Evil tales were told in connection with this window during the night watches. For weeks the "Police News" had been my study. That highly dramatic print was publishing a woodcut series of celebrated burglars. I marked their features and names. During three successive days I had noticed at dark a muffled figure reconnoitering the premises. Nothing happened. Every evening Harry climbed over the garden wall with a provision supply, and prepared to bear me company at my work.

The next evening I had Harry stay. Harry had appeared in the third-story room. It was therefore certain that the attack on the safe would be made that night. I wished Harry to obtain a key to the safe, and the prisoner's twitches caused the teeth to tear his flesh. No more cries, the voice-organ was paralysed. One terrible, imploring, holding-forward of the arms, and all was over with "Broad Jimmy," the burglar.

CHAPTER XV.
"EMPEROR OF THE BROKEN."

When you think of the wickedness which human kind daily, ay, hourly, commit, it is almost impossible to believe in the devil. Although I believe in the devil, I am a supporter of theology; and theology to-day can afford to lose no support. A theological murderer is a better man than the mild-natured agnostic. Daily in the world's advancing history of wickedness more than ever becomes apparent the necessity for the Arch-bishop's benediction.

A coroner's jury was held on the remains of "Broad Jimmy," and the coroner comprehending the spring's working and the electric battery and wires, refrained from meddling with the matter in court. One jurymen, connected with a gas-pipe business, and another, a member of the Society for the Protection of Burglars in their Daily Uses, stepped forward. I had taken the previous precaution of inviting this gentleman to a glass of bitter beer. He merely observed "that this was not a case for the society, the machine having been constructed on humanitarian principles, for the purpose of deterring other unfortunate burglars from further pursuing their profession." The matter passed over smoothly. Every newspaper of the land uttered the warning, and the diamond remained in security.

An unpleasantness of a different nature arose. Not calling for the extraction of not a man's teeth, but means—the tongue substituting the hands. This was not altogether congenial to a nature grossly satirical; yet leisure was disturbed, and my mind acquired the low quality of average. The diamond was no longer worshipped, but instead, the golden wealth that it brought. The brokers of Hatton Garden were responsible for this.

I looked towards the prisoner. His limbs were twitching, but the face remained immovable. I spoke.
"Broad Jimmy, this is a solemn moment."

"Mercy!"

It was a groan of supplication. A sob from Harry in the corner.
"This lever will be turned, and increase the electric current's power. You will suffer gradual agony, and become paralysed. Death follows. These two thin, red, copper wires connect you with the grave."

"Before Sunday you will occupy a prison plot of about 600. Sir Broad Jimmy will have to narrow himself. I am about to turn the lever."

"Mercy! Mercy!" This time in shrieks, checked by the padded walls. The current increased. The man's twitches and contortions might be regarded as horrible and excruciating. The gas-pipe man and the member of the Society for the Protection of Burglars caused the teeth to tear his flesh. No more cries, the voice-organ was paralysed. One terrible, imploring, holding-forward of the arms, and all was over with "Broad Jimmy," the burglar.

CHAPTER XVI.
STARVING.

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£223,000. £223,500. £223,000. £227,000. £240,000 (risk). Total, £1,138,500. Your several sums, you see, total £1,138,500. Now that total falls short by £61,500 of the amount I require for my diamond. With the £200,000 I should speculate on the London Stock Exchange and the Paris Bourse. It is my intention to become a millionaire. Probably my carriage wheels will run over one of you some day. I am not satisfied with you, gentlemen. I do not wish to hurt your feelings, but must thank and wish you good morning. It is my last hour on earth.

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Edith held out her purse. "There is not a farthing in it, Caspar." She wept again.

It cannot be helped. One day you will rise in your carriage, and be the eldest wife of a millionaire. The baby girl will be an heiress. That should satisfy the mother."

"But we are starving now." Look at my arm; it is transparent."

HOME DISTRICT RIFLE MEETING.

On the range of the National Rifle Association at Bisleigh, the 5th annual home district rifle meeting was commenced on Friday. The competitions on the opening day are exclusively confined to all regular troops on the strength of the home district, including detachments quartered at Pirbright, and the money prizes amounted to £402, in addition to cups, &c. Shooting commenced at 9 a.m., and was continued until nearly 7 p.m., and a large number of the best shots in the British army had entered. The championship competition is restricted to the 24, 4, 7, 8, or 9, or 11, ten rounds being fired at 800 yards, the scores made at 200, 500, and 600 yards being added. The first prize, consisting of a cup value £45 and 45 in money, was won by Colour-sergeant Blackwell, 4th Bata. Royal Fusiliers, who made 43, which, added to 93 at the short range, gave him 136.

GRAND AGGREGATE OF 10 POINTS.
No. 13 was a team match fired by teams of 8 of all ranks (7 rounds at 200, 500, and 600 yards), and the first prize of £25 for the cavalry was won by the 1st Life Guards with an aggregate of 648 points; the champion was Mr. H. M. Calmont, M.P., and £25 in money, for infantry, by the 3rd Bata. Grenadier Guards, with a total of 711 points, and having won it for the third year in succession, it becomes now the absolute property of that regiment; and the prize of £15 for depots by the W. Surrey at Guildford, with an aggregate of 638 points. No. 14 was a running and shooting match by teams of 3 privates with a N.C.O. over a course of about a quarter of a mile, with 4 obstacles and 3 firing points, 3 volleys being fired at each at a Bisleigh second-class target. The first prize, consisting of a plate value £10 and 25 in money, was won by No. 2 Company, 1st Bata. Grenadier Guards, with a total of 60 points. Yesterday's proceedings will be found fully described in another page.

VIOLENT BUS PICKPOCKETS.
Two omnibus pickpockets, named Hobbs and Ready, aged 22 and 47, respectively, admitted at Clerkenwell Sessions, the theft of a purse containing 1s. 3d.—When the robbery was discovered in Cranbourne-st., Leicester-sq., Ready made off, but being run down by a postman, he made violent attempts to escape. Hobbs was caught leaving the omnibus, and he tried hard to get away from the clutches of those holding him.—Det.-sergt. Bridges, said he did not know the men as companions previously, but Warden Cook said he knew that Ready had undergone 2 sentences for burglary, and that Hobbs had suffered some 10 sentences for larcenies.—Ready was sentenced to 12 and Hobbs 15 months' imprisonment, with hard labour.

ANGLO-AMERICAN TREATY.
The United States Senate again put its record against the advancement of civilization by throwing out the Anglo-American General Arbitration Treaty this week. The vote resulted in the rejection of the treaty. Forty-three Senators voted for the ratification, while 26 were against it. 19 Senators being absent or paired. 48 votes for ratification being 3 fewer than the required two-thirds of the total number voting, the treaty fails.

A SURGICAL OPERATION.

CURIOUS SURGICAL OPERATION.

IN A CASE HEARD BY THE LORD CHIEF JUSTICE and a special jury this week, Marie Louise Kettle, 17 years of age, suing by her father, Benjamin Kettle, as next friend, sued Dr. James Briebrane, of St. John's, W.C., to recover damages for the alleged negligent and negligently treating her surgically, with the consequence that she was injured and suffered great pain. The defendant denied the allegation. Mr. Crisp and Mr. W. T. Raymond appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. Dickson, Q.C., and Mr. R. Turner for defendant.—Mr. Crisp, in opening the case, said plaintiff living with her mother and father at Finchley-rd., and in October 1895, while she was walking through the hall of her father's house, she slipped and fell, and her right hand went through a pane of glass, with the result that her wrist received a jagged wound. There was no one in the house, but she went to a neighbour's, a Mrs. Hunt, and then to a chemist, who, however, did not seem to do any good. When her father came home he fetched defendant, who said it would be necessary that the wound should be stitched up. In half an hour he returned, and commenced

SEWING UP THE WOUND with catgut, but as it broke he took out the stitches and sewed it up with silver thread. Before defendant, who said he was an antiseptic, commenced the operation, plaintiff complained to him that she had no sensation whatever in her hand. He told her that that arose from the loss of blood, although there had, as a matter of fact, been very little hemorrhage. It appeared, however, that both the nerves serving the wrist were severed, and that the duty of the defendant was to discover this and to have brought the ends of these nerves together and practically to have sewn them together. Defendant went on from week to week telling plaintiff that there was nothing wrong, but ultimately she went to Middlesex Hospital about her hand, as she could not use her fingers. She became an in-patient and had to undergo two operations, and now there was a considerable probability that she might after a long time regain the use of her hand. Plaintiff's father kept a registry office, and plaintiff, previous to the accident, assisted him by keeping his books, and she also assisted her mother.—Plaintiff's father, Mrs. Hunt, and her sister, Edith, having given evidence, the case was adjourned.

DEFENDANT SAID HE WAS M.D. of the University of Glasgow, and was admitted in 1859. He had been in practice for 38 years. As to his treatment of the case, the catgut, he held, was properly kept in carbolic oil. He described the operation, and contended that he had treated the case rightly. Mr. W. Davis, defendant's partner, also gave evidence.—The Lord Chief Justice having summed up at some length, the jury retired, but, being unable to agree, were discharged.

Yesterday, at Croydon, Arthur Williams, of Dees-cottage, Far-gate-road, Croydon, was fined £6, including costs, for riding his bicycle on a public footpath.

A LITTLE LIST OF LITTLE ILLS CURED BY
CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

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CARRIERS ON STRIKE.
SUSPECTED GRAVE INCON.

VENICE—Between 2,500 and 3,000 farmers employed by the railway, tram, and bus companies, carriers, and others, came out on strike yesterday in advance of wages. The American Farmers' Protection Society has forwarded notices to the employers for an increase of wages on behalf of the men of \$1.00 per week for doormen, from \$2.25 to \$3.25, and \$1.00 for drivers, from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per week. The employers refusing to concede the men's notices were threatened with a strike last week and a partial agreement was reached. Several large employers, affecting the aggregate between 600 and 700.

At a joint conference of masters

men, held at King's Cross, the
loyers offered an advance of 6s.
week for doormen, and 6s. for fire-
men, the respective representatives of
the rejected the terms.

CAUSE OF COMPLAINT.

The men have for a long time com-
plained of excessive hours of labour,
stating that in many of the big firms
hours of labour worked out at 14 or
15 for 6 days, and a few others
went in on Sundays. For this the
pay has varied from 50s. to 65s.,
where the system was piece-
work, even more could be earned.
As a rule long hours and low
pay have prevailed, and this led the
men into better organization, the é-
tats being amalgamated, and de-
mands made upon the employers for a
reduction of the hours of labour.

small cases the terms have been conceded, but most of the big money-owning firms have refused. Friday, Mr. Barker, one of the executive council, said the statement of the demand is for a rise of from 12 1/2 to 13 1/2 a week does not convey a clear idea of the nature of the demand. In the case of the very worst cases that the increase would be as much as that; while in 500 or 600 other cases there would be no advance. A meeting is announced to be held at Hyde Park to-day.

ANOTHER VERSION.

It was stated yesterday that the majority of the men being led into the present dispute at the demand of a small body of agitators. The case was forwarded by the society was said

most misleading in many particulars, especially with regard to the payment for Sunday work, and that as early as the farmers of London were as well paid as any other skilled artisans, and that the proprietors of the land would lead to any great public inconvenience, for there are hundreds, not thousands, of farmers throughout the country who would jump at the pay now being received by the London men, and the cabowners will hesitate to import those men if necessary. The secretary of one of the cab-owning companies, who was present by request at the meeting, and who did not believe that anything serious would happen. The piece-work system was really introduced at the suggestion of the men themselves, and

they are average workmen, they can earn from \$25 to \$40 a week. He believed that the men who were with the strike were quite misled with the idea of a "big money" but, naturally, by belonging to the society, they are to some extent under the domination of a certain class, to whom a strike was a regular godsend. This is what the strike, even if it became general, would upset the vehicle traffic of London was too absurd to think about seriously.

OF THE LONDON TRAM COMPANIES.

A deputation of the executive committee waited yesterday upon Mr. Ernest Rymovite superintendent of the N. W. Ry. Co., and it is not unlikely that the notice of the men in their employ will be withdrawn, and they

the routine work as usual to-morrow morning. The company have offered to pay the additional wages to the strikers, and the officials of the union anticipated that this course will be followed by the other great railway companies, which employ a considerable number of men. Down to last evening no arrangement had been arrived at with the London General Omnibus Co., and the whole of their men will remain on strike unless the company concede the demands of the men. The strike committee contends that by to-morrow afternoon over half the General Omnibus Co.'s horses would be unable to work. The union has made arrangements to pay the men on strike 15s. a week.

(BUTTER'S TELEGRAMS.)
New York, May 8.—Wheat strong, the
1½c. advance. Corn firm. Corn Meal: Cash
points dearer. Coffee dull, with prices ad-
justed, to 3 points higher. Cotton steady at
to 8 points advance. Petroleum: Regular
oil, unchanged. Kerosene: Standard
crude dull. —At Chicago: Wheat closed stead-
y, to 1½c. higher. Corn closed firm, at 6
advance. Lard steady, unchanged, to 2½ points
higher. —At St. Louis: Wheat steady, to
the steady at 2½ points fall. Bacon and Hops
steady.
New York, May 8.—Call Money, United
States Government Bonds, 1 per cent; Call
any other securities, 1½ per cent.; Ex-
change on London, 60 days' Sight, 4½;
Gold Transfers, 4.75; Exchange on Paris,
90 days' Sight, \$161; 3 months' Sight, 9.25;
Exchange on Amsterdam, 90 days' Sight, 9.25;
United States Federal Reserve Notes
registered Bonds, 112; Western Union
Telegraph, 74; Atchafson, Topeka, and Santa Fe
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Island, 74; Erie Railroad, 74; Atchafson, Topeka,

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Port, New York and New England, 21; Northern Pacific, 124; Northern Pacific Preferred, 361; Norfolk and Western Preferred, —; Ohio and Pennsylvania, —; Pennsylvania Street, at Philadelphia, 51; Philadelphia and Reading, 154; Southern Railway, 71; Southern Railway Preferred, 36; Union Pacific, 51; Wabash, St. Louis, and Pacific Common, 49; Wabash, St. Louis, and Pacific Preferred, 123; Manhattan Elevated, 32.

Lord James of Hereford has, by consent, been appointed umpire in the charges arbitration between the Northern Railway Co. and their employees.

Boys, 100 for 7 wickets (declared); Fresh-
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1) Crystal Palace, 120; Her 6;
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 3) Clapham Park, Clapham, 76; Aze and
 New Green, Goldsmith's Institute, 220
 4) Wandsworth Common, Kensington, 126;
 5) 60;
 6) Ealing, Wandsworth, 121; Ealing, 6;
 7) Wandsworth, Wandsworth, 117 (for 4 and
 8) St. Bartholomew's Hospital, 20
 9) East Acton, Acton, 50; Fallowfield 76;
 10) Sutton, Addington, 124; Chess, 20;
 11) Sutton, Sutton, 124;
 12) Forest Hill, Forest Hill, 117; Dul-
 13) 20;
 14) St. Martin's Park, Kewton Park, 20;
 15) 78;
 16) Brookbury, London Scottish, 110;
 17) 20;
 18) Buckhurst Hill, Epping, 76; Buckhurst

Lytle, Lytle, 180; Beckett, 188 (five hits).
Corcoran beat Lutz by 3 wickets and 28 runs.

BILLIARDS.
E. DIGGLE v. W. MITCHELL.
The above players concluded a fortnight's game, when at 150-100, Grace and Bone took the match, the 6,000 spectators in the Diggle conceded 200 start, was forfeited. Last week Mitchell was indisposed, only returned to form on Monday, when a brace was made with the above game, who quickly caught up to the Sheffield crowd, the home was never in doubt. When play resumed yesterday afternoon there was a substantial 1,000 and much betting. The home's lead broke over 550, 555, 585, 615, 645, 675, 705, and 735. Mitchell led 52, 58, and 59 unassisted. Mitchell and Bone, but failed to sustain the effort, and the home was 100 to 100, and 100, and 100, and 100 at the adjournment were Diggle, 1,000; Mitchell, 750. There was a fair attendance.

Went to a roughhouse was taken in the second round. The fight was a foregone conclusion. Diggle made 164, 50, and 32, against Mitchell's 64, 100, and 100. Mitchell was 9 the same.

—Diggle, 5,533; Mitchell, 7,401. Final: Diggle, 9,000; Mitchell, 8,082.

SAILING.

CHWICKS SAILING CLUB.

The club sailed the first half-hour match of the season over the Six Breech course above Mims. The boats were: Mims, 1; Vizen, 2, and started at 5 p.m. Aboarders: 1; Vizen, (subject to measurement).

SWIMMING.

The Stafford S.C., this club's 50 yards hand-saw, resulted as follows:—T. Watkins, 13 sec. 1; H. Wells, 10 sec.; B. James, scotch, 10 yards.

The Stafford S.C., this club's 50 yards was a photo finish competition, and was won by G. J. Smith with 16 places; T. Fuller, with 14, was second; and W. Chivers, who brought up 15, third.

The Stafford S.C.—80 yards hand-saw. T. Gooden, 1st; W. Chivers, 2nd; R. Farver, 3rd; W. King, 4th. Won by G. J. Smith.

—W. King, 1st; T. Gooden, with 16 sec.

LAWN TENNIS.
Cambridge University v. Essex County.—At Cambridge. The visitors arriving late, only three matches were played, and Cambridge won by 7 games to 2.

TENNIS.
PRINCE OF CLARE HANDICAP.
The final round of the Club B Handicap between Lord Cowley and Lord Willoughby Erraby, 4-15, for a buque, could not be used on account of the former meeting with accident whilst riding. Lord Willoughby Erraby has therefore forfeited over.

HANDICAP FOR PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS.
Handicaps for professional tennis players to be held at Prince's Club, Knightsbridge, on Saturday as follows:—1st, 1st b. 10; 2nd, 1st b. 10; 3rd, 1st b. 10; 4th, 1st b. 10; 5th, 1st b. 10; 6th, 1st b. 10; 7th, 1st b. 10; 8th, 1st b. 10; 9th, 1st b. 10; 10th, 1st b. 10; 11th, 1st b. 10; 12th, 1st b. 10; 13th, 1st b. 10; 14th, 1st b. 10; 15th, 1st b. 10; 16th, 1st b. 10; 17th, 1st b. 10; 18th, 1st b. 10; 19th, 1st b. 10; 20th, 1st b. 10; 21st, 1st b. 10; 22nd, 1st b. 10; 23rd, 1st b. 10; 24th, 1st b. 10; 25th, 1st b. 10; 26th, 1st b. 10; 27th, 1st b. 10; 28th, 1st b. 10; 29th, 1st b. 10; 30th, 1st b. 10; 31st, 1st b. 10; 32nd, 1st b. 10; 33rd, 1st b. 10; 34th, 1st b. 10; 35th, 1st b. 10; 36th, 1st b. 10; 37th, 1st b. 10; 38th, 1st b. 10; 39th, 1st b. 10; 40th, 1st b. 10; 41st, 1st b. 10; 42nd, 1st b. 10; 43rd, 1st b. 10; 44th, 1st b. 10; 45th, 1st b. 10; 46th, 1st b. 10; 47th, 1st b. 10; 48th, 1st b. 10; 49th, 1st b. 10; 50th, 1st b. 10; 51st, 1st b. 10; 52nd, 1st b. 10; 53rd, 1st b. 10; 54th, 1st b. 10; 55th, 1st b. 10; 56th, 1st b. 10; 57th, 1st b. 10; 58th, 1st b. 10; 59th, 1st b. 10; 60th, 1st b. 10; 61st, 1st b. 10; 62nd, 1st b. 10; 63rd, 1st b. 10; 64th, 1st b. 10; 65th, 1st b. 10; 66th, 1st b. 10; 67th, 1st b. 10; 68th, 1st b. 10; 69th, 1st b. 10; 70th, 1st b. 10; 71st, 1st b. 10; 72nd, 1st b. 10; 73rd, 1st b. 10; 74th, 1st b. 10; 75th, 1st b. 10; 76th, 1st b. 10; 77th, 1st b. 10; 78th, 1st b. 10; 79th, 1st b. 10; 80th, 1st b. 10; 81st, 1st b. 10; 82nd, 1st b. 10; 83rd, 1st b. 10; 84th, 1st b. 10; 85th, 1st b. 10; 86th, 1st b. 10; 87th, 1st b. 10; 88th, 1st b. 10; 89th, 1st b. 10; 90th, 1st b. 10; 91st, 1st b. 10; 92nd, 1st b. 10; 93rd, 1st b. 10; 94th, 1st b. 10; 95th, 1st b. 10; 96th, 1st b. 10; 97th, 1st b. 10; 98th, 1st b. 10; 99th, 1st b. 10; 100th, 1st b. 10; 101st, 1st b. 10; 102nd, 1st b. 10; 103rd, 1st b. 10; 104th, 1st b. 10; 105th, 1st b. 10; 106th, 1st b. 10; 107th, 1st b. 10; 108th, 1st b. 10; 109th, 1st b. 10; 110th, 1st b. 10; 111th, 1st b. 10; 112th, 1st b. 10; 113th, 1st b. 10; 114th, 1st b. 10; 115th, 1st b. 10; 116th, 1st b. 10; 117th, 1st b. 10; 118th, 1st b. 10; 119th, 1st b. 10; 120th, 1st b. 10; 121st, 1st b. 10; 122nd, 1st b. 10; 123rd, 1st b. 10; 124th, 1st b. 10; 125th, 1st b. 10; 126th, 1st b. 10; 127th, 1st b. 10; 128th, 1st b. 10; 129th, 1st b. 10; 130th, 1st b. 10; 131st, 1st b. 10; 132nd, 1st b. 10; 133rd, 1st b. 10; 134th, 1st b. 10; 135th, 1st b. 10; 136th, 1st b. 10; 137th, 1st b. 10; 138th, 1st b. 10; 139th, 1st b. 10; 140th, 1st b. 10; 141st, 1st b. 10; 142nd, 1st b. 10; 143rd, 1st b. 10; 144th, 1st b. 10; 145th, 1st b. 10; 146th, 1st b. 10; 147th, 1st b. 10; 148th, 1st b. 10; 149th, 1st b. 10; 150th, 1st b. 10; 151st, 1st b. 10; 152nd, 1st b. 10; 153rd, 1st b. 10; 154th, 1st b. 10; 155th, 1st b. 10; 156th, 1st b. 10; 157th, 1st b. 10; 158th, 1st b. 10; 159th, 1st b. 10; 160th, 1st b. 10; 161st, 1st b. 10; 162nd, 1st b. 10; 163rd, 1st b. 10; 164th, 1st b. 10; 165th, 1st b. 10; 166th, 1st b. 10; 167th, 1st b. 10; 168th, 1st b. 10; 169th, 1st b. 10; 170th, 1st b. 10; 171st, 1st b. 10; 172nd, 1st b. 10; 173rd, 1st b. 10; 174th, 1st b. 10; 175th, 1st b. 10; 176th, 1st b. 10; 177th, 1st b. 10; 178th, 1st b. 10; 179th, 1st b. 10; 180th, 1st b. 10; 181st, 1st b. 10; 182nd, 1st b. 10; 183rd, 1st b. 10; 184th, 1st b. 10; 185th, 1st b. 10; 186th, 1st b. 10; 187th, 1st b. 10; 188th, 1st b. 10; 189th, 1st b. 10; 190th, 1st b. 10; 191st, 1st b. 10; 192nd, 1st b. 10; 193rd, 1st b. 10; 194th, 1st b. 10; 195th, 1st b. 10; 196th, 1st b. 10; 197th, 1st b. 10; 198th, 1st b. 10; 199th, 1st b. 10; 200th, 1st b. 10; 201st, 1st b. 10; 202nd, 1st b. 10; 203rd, 1st b. 10; 204th, 1st b. 10; 205th, 1st b. 10; 206th, 1st b. 10; 207th, 1st b. 10; 208th, 1st b. 10; 209th, 1st b. 10; 210th, 1st b. 10; 211th, 1st b. 10; 212th, 1st b. 10; 213th, 1st b. 10; 214th, 1st b. 10; 215th, 1st b. 10; 216th, 1st b. 10; 217th, 1st b. 10; 218th, 1st b. 10; 219th, 1st b. 10; 220th, 1st b. 10; 221st, 1st b. 10; 222nd, 1st b. 10; 223rd, 1st b. 10; 224th, 1st b. 10; 225th, 1st b. 10; 226th, 1st b. 10; 227th, 1st b. 10; 228th, 1st b. 10; 229th, 1st b. 10; 230th, 1st b. 10; 231st, 1st b. 10; 232nd, 1st b. 10; 233rd, 1st b. 10; 234th, 1st b. 10; 235th, 1st b. 10; 236th, 1st b. 10; 237th, 1st b. 10; 238th, 1st b. 10; 239th, 1st b. 10; 240th, 1st b. 10; 241st, 1st b. 10; 242nd, 1st b. 10; 243rd, 1st b. 10; 244th, 1st b. 10; 245th, 1st b. 10; 246th, 1st b. 10; 247th, 1st b. 10; 248th, 1st b. 10; 249th, 1st b. 10; 250th, 1st b. 10; 251st, 1st b. 10; 252nd, 1st b. 10; 253rd, 1st b. 10; 254th, 1st b. 10; 255th, 1st b. 10; 256th, 1st b. 10; 257th, 1st b. 10; 258th, 1st b. 10; 259th, 1st b. 10; 260th, 1st b. 10; 261st, 1st b. 10; 262nd, 1st b. 10; 263rd, 1st b. 10; 264th, 1st b. 10; 265th, 1st b. 10; 266th, 1st b. 10; 267th, 1st b. 10; 268th, 1st b. 10; 269th, 1st

PRINCE'S LADIES CLUB.
The best return at the "Boys' Company"
were—Hon. Mrs. Bowley, 9 down; Miss
Knox, 8 down; Mrs. G. W. Jones, 7 down;
the Marion Langley, 11 down; Miss Langley,
6 down; and Miss Le Marchant, 12 down.
HOUSE OF COMMONS v. OXFORD
UNIVERSITY.
This match, like all the other places at Fer-
rers, was postponed indefinitely.
West Drayton (A) beat West Middlesex (A)
West Drayton by 9 holes.—Chiswick (A)
at Roynce Park (A) at Chiswick by 12
holes.—Chiswick (A) at the Quarry, 6
down.—Rav. A. B. Middleton had all over
a boy.—West Middlesex (2nd) beat West
Drayton (2nd) by 6 holes. Monthly Medal
to J. H. Cowell and J. Hardie played off the tie
in the "United States Club's Quarterly Monthly
Competition." G. P. Balfour, 6 down.

T. Watson. The distance was 7 miles, the course from Southwick to Steyning— to have had a mile start. Result, a for Watson, who time was 1hr 10min, better taking 1hr 10min.

BASEBALL.

TRESPASSERS v. DEWAR'S.

The above-named nines met at the Crystal Palace yesterday (Saturday), a well-contested game, the result in favour of the Dewar's, the score being 16 runs to 12. The best individual play was shown by Slattery and Macpherson, the pitchers of the opposing sides. Kruger, and the team, of the Dewar's, and Tucker, Murphy, and Burns, of Trepassers, also showed up well.

INTERESTING PRESENTATION.

The Vice-chancellor of Cambridge University presided over an influential meeting held at Peterhouse College, Cambridge, yesterday, to present a petition to the University from the numerous students of Dr. Porter had subscribed

as a mark of their high appreciation of the services which he had rendered to the University and town of Cambridge. The testimonial consisted of a portrait of the master in doctor's robes, which was offered the college, a silver tea kettle, and a framed portrait of Lord Kelvin addressed to the college. The portrait on behalf of the college, I referred to Dr. Potter as a benefactor to the University.

EATEN BY CANNIBALS.
A Daisiel telegram from Vancouver (B.C.) says that a man named Fredrick Leichtenberg, who came there from London last year and left last February for the South Sea, has, it is reported, been eaten by the cannibals. A telegram has also arrived from the South

reports that Blichterg landed on island, and tried to trade with the natives. The latter, however, seized him, and kept him prisoner for a fortnight, during which time they fed him well. On the occasion of a fête he was led to a pole, a fire was built round it, and he was slowly roasted and finally eaten. It is said that he has many relatives in London and Liverpool.

Henry Constable, 66, of Berner-rd., Wood Green, was found sitting in his chair dead, a few minutes after his daughter had been talking to him.

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